

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 319 - HB 288**

March 4, 2015

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires licensed personal support service agencies to designate the population it proposes to serve at the time of licensing and eliminates the requirement for dual licensing by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (DMHSAS) and the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD).

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- DMHSAS licenses agencies that serve the aged or elderly and/or individuals with behavioral health and/or substance abuse diagnoses.
- DIDD licenses agencies that serve individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability.
- Currently, if a personal support service agency serves multiple populations, the agency has to receive dual licensure from both DMHSAS and DIDD. The provisions of the bill will eliminate this dual licensure requirement by requiring the agency to designate the population it proposes to serve at the time of licensing if it only has a personal support service program at the location.
- Based on information provided by DMHSAS, there are 40 personal support service agencies with dual licensure, but it is unknown how many of these agencies only provide personal support service programs at these locations and will be able to reduce the number of licenses the agency holds.
- While the exact decrease of licenses is unknown for both DMHSAS and DIDD, any reduction in licensure fee revenue will result in a corresponding decrease in expenditures for no longer surveying the facility and issuing the license; therefore the net impact is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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